

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A heat exchanger, comprising: [[with]]
fixing elements comprising predetermined points of fracture, ~~in particular in a motor vehicle, characterized by the features wherein:~~
at least one of the fixing elements comprises a first area and a second area (6, 7; 12, 14) with a quick-acting connection between these two areas (6, 7; 12, 14),
in each case one of the two areas (6; 12) is an inseparable component of the heat exchanger [[(1)],
when the quick-acting connection is closed, the two areas (6, 7; 12, 14) engage positively with one another with a fixing effect,
the quick-acting connection [[means]] of one of the two areas is (6, 7; 12, 14) ~~are~~ provided with at least one predetermined point of fracture,
the connection means provided with the at least one predetermined point of fracture is located on the area (7, 14) which can be separated from the heat exchanger [[(1)]].
2. (Currently Amended) The heat exchanger as claimed in claim 1, wherein the first area and the second area (6, 7) of a fixing element in a quick-acting connection engage with one another in a [[the]] manner of a dovetail connection.
3. (Currently Amended) The heat exchanger as claimed in claim 2 wherein the predetermined point of fracture is provided at least in one of a dovetail forming web ~~the webs~~ (10) of the area [[(7)]] which can be separated from the heat exchanger ~~exchangers~~.
4. (Currently Amended) The heat exchanger as claimed in claim 1, wherein the first area and the second area (12, 14) of a fixing element engage with one another in a telescopic manner.
5. (Currently Amended) The heat exchanger as claimed in claim 4, wherein the predetermined point of fracture is provided in the ~~the~~ [[that]] area (14) ~~of the areas (12, 14)~~ of the fixing element ~~which engage with one another in a telescopic manner~~ which can be separated from the heat exchanger [[(1)]] by means of the quick-acting connection.

6. (Currently Amended) The heat exchanger as claimed in claim 1, wherein the area of a quick-acting connection which can be separated from the heat exchanger is configured to be fixed in a complementary bearing of a support that supports the heat exchanger,

Wherein the ~~[[that]]~~ area (7, 14) of a quick-acting connection which can be separated from the heat exchanger includes a portion that ~~[[(1)]]~~ projects to outside of the quick-acting connection for fixing in the ~~[[a]]~~ complementary bearing ~~of a support (4, 5) supporting the heat exchanger (1).~~

7. (Currently Amended) The heat exchanger as claimed in claim 1, wherein the heat exchanger ~~[[(1)]]~~ is provided equally with quick-acting connections wherein

the first area and the second area of a first fixing element in a quick-acting connection engage with one another in the manner of a dovetail connection; and

the first area and the second area of a second fixing element engage with one another in a telescopic manner.

8. (Currently Amended) The heat exchanger as claimed in claim 1, wherein the first area and the second area of a first fixing element in a quick-acting connection engage with one another in the manner of a dovetail connection and forms the connection to a lower support ~~[[(5)]]~~ supporting the heat exchanger, ~~(1) and~~

wherein the first area and the second area of a second fixing element engage with one another in a telescopic manner and forms the connection to a corresponding upper support ~~[[(4)]]~~.

9. (Currently Amended) A heat exchanger, comprising: ~~[[with]]~~

a mounting between an upper support and a lower support lying roughly in a common vertical plane, ~~characterized by the features~~ wherein:

a ~~[[the]]~~ first area and a ~~[[the]]~~ second area of a first fixing element in a quick-acting connection engage with one another in the manner of a dovetail connection and connect the heat exchanger ~~[[(1)]]~~ to the lower support ~~[[(5)]]~~,

a ~~[[the]]~~ first area and a ~~[[the]]~~ second area of a second fixing element engage with one another in a telescopic manner and connect the heat exchanger ~~[[(1)]]~~ to the upper support ~~[[(4)]]~~,

in each case those areas ~~[[parts]]~~ of the quick-acting connections ~~connection means~~ which can be separated from the heat exchanger ~~[[(1)]]~~ engage with ~~[[in]]~~ the supports, ~~(4, 5)~~
wherein the quick-acting connections include at least one predetermined point of fracture.

10. (Currently Amended) The heat exchanger as claimed in claim 9, wherein the first area and the second area of the second ~~[[a]]~~ fixing element engage with one another in a telescopic manner and are, ~~the~~ separable areas that are in each case designed as sleeves that ~~(14) and~~ can in each case be pushed through the associated support ~~(4, 5)~~ onto an ~~[[the]]~~ inseparable area of the fixing elements provided on the heat exchanger ~~[[(1)]]~~, the sleeves ~~[[(14)]]~~ in this state being designed so as to be fixable in the associated support ~~(4, 5)~~.

11. (New) The heat exchanger as claimed in claim 3, wherein the predetermined point of fracture is configured so that the quick-acting connection bursts open to break the quick-acting connection.

12. (New) The heat exchanger as claimed in claim 4, wherein the area inseparable from the heat exchanger comprises a pin.

13. (New) The heat exchanger as claimed in claim 12, wherein the area which can be separated from the heat exchanger comprises a sleeve.

14. (New) The heat exchanger as claimed in claim 13, wherein the predetermined point of fracture comprises at least one slit in the sleeve.

15. (New) The heat exchanger as claimed in claim 14, further comprising a cap configured to engage with the sleeve and a support configured to support the heat exchanger.

16. (New) The heat exchanger as claimed in claim 15, further comprising a bearing ring configured to engage the pin and the sleeve.

17. (New) The heat exchanger as claimed in claim 2, wherein the area which can be separated from the heat exchanger includes a pair of webs that form a dovetail groove, wherein at least one of the webs includes the predetermined point of fracture.
18. (New) The heat exchanger as claimed in claim 17, wherein the predetermined point of fracture is configured so that the quick-acting connection bursts open.
19. (New) The heat exchanger as claimed in claim 1, wherein the heat exchanger is configured for use in a motor vehicle.